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1. WE HAVE BEEN EXPERIENCING SOME ADMINISTRATIVE DIFFICULTIES WITH

OFFICIAL VISITORS TO ARMAMENTS-RELATED MEETINGS AT NATO. A SIZEABLE PERCENTAGE OF VISIT REQUESTS DO NOT CONTAIN CERTIFICATION OF NATO CLEARANCES, WHICH IS ESSENTIAL FOR ISSUANCE OF A CONFERENCE PASS. REFERENCE A CLEARLY OUTLINES RESPONSIBILITIES FOR ACCESS TO NATO CLASSIFIED INFORMATION. REFERENCE B PRESCRIBES POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR OBTAINING CLEARANCE FOR OFFICIAL TDY ABROAD. FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE PROCEDURES HAS BEEN IMPOSING AN UNNECESSARY COMMUNICATIONS AND ADMINISTRATIVE WORKLOAD UPON USNATO. WE REQUEST YOU COOPERATION IN CORRECTING THIS SITUATION.

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2. A SPECIFIC EXAMPLE OF THE MOST PREVALENT DEVISATION FROM REF B IS ASSUMPTION OF CLEARANCE. MANY REQUESTS FOR SECURITY PASSES APPARENTLY PRESUME THAT A US SECURITY CLEARANCE IS AMPLE ACCESS AUTHORITY TO NATO CONFERENCES. AN

ASSUMPTION OF NATO SECURITY CLEARANCES IS NOT AUTHORIZED BY
EITHER REFERENCE AND IS UNACCEPTABLE TO THE OFFICE OF NATO
SECURITY. NATO CLEARANCES MUST BE SPECIFIED - CUSTOMARILY TO
LEVEL OF NATO SECURET - IF UNWARRANTED DELAYS ARE TO BE AVOIDED
UPON ARRIVAL.

3. WE REQUEST DISSEMINATION OF THIS MESSAGE TO ALL CONCERNED
WITH A REQUEST THAT THE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES OF THE REFERENCED
DOCUMENTS BE FOLLOWED. COMPLIANCE WITH THESE DIRECTIVES WILL
AVOID UNWARRANTED COMMUNICATIONS, ENABLE NATO SECURITY AS WELL
AS USNATO TO PROCESS VISIT REQUESTS MORE EFFICIENTLY, AND WILL
AVOID DELAYS IN ISSUANCE OF NATO PASSES FOR CONFERENCES. STREATOR

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